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Dear all,

After a very difficult (but productive) last 11 months, we find ourselves at the end of another academic year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents and carers for your patience and support. We are hoping that the grip of the pandemic will finally be loosened in time for September, but we will continue to follow Wales and local authority guidelines as we move into the autumn term. We will update our website with any necessary changes.

Our pupils have been asked to adapt in so many ways through the pandemic and to their credit, they have continued to work with focus and endeavour. It is our attention, as a school, to continue our committed work so we can help bridge any loss ground caused by enforced school absence.

The English, maths and science tests completed this summer term, will give the school detailed baseline data that will help us identify underachievement. We will then be offering a range of improvement packages so all children can play 'catch up' and reach their potential in the next academic year.

The autumn term will begin for pupils as follows:

New Intake Year 7 – **8:40 Tuesday 7th September**

Year 11 – **8:40 Tuesday 7th September**

Year 12 and Year 13 – **8:40 Tuesday 7th September**

Year 8, 9 and 10 - **8:40 Wednesday 8th September**

Finally, I wish you and your family a safe and restful summer holidays. Let us hope that normality returns and we can get on, uninterrupted, with the important work of teaching and learning.

Many thanks

Innes Robinson